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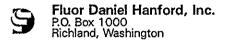
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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

A major function of the Tank Waste Remediation System (TWRS) is to characterize waste in support of waste management and disposal activities at the Hanford Site. Analytical data from sampling and analysis and other available information about a tank are compiled and maintained in a tank characterization report (TCR). This report and its appendixes serve as the TCR for single-shell tank 241-U-112. The objectives of this report are 1) to use characterization data in response to technical issues associated with tank 241-U-112 waste, and 2) to provide a standard characterization of this waste in terms of a best-basis inventory estimate. Section 2.0 summarizes the response to technical issues, Section 3.0 shows the best-basis inventory estimate, Section 4.0 makes recommendations about the safety status of the tank and additional sampling needs. The appendixes contain supporting data and information. This report supports the requirements of the Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order (Ecology et al. 1997), Milestone M-44-15b, change request M-44-97-03 to "issue characterization deliverables consistent with the Waste Information Requirements Document developed for 1998."

#### 1.1 SCOPE

The characterization information in this report originated from sample analyses and known historical sources. The results of recent sample events will be used to fulfill the requirements of the data quality objectives (DQOs) and memorandums of understanding (MOUs) specified in Brown et al. (1997) for this tank. Other information can be used to support conclusions derived from these results. Appendix A contains historical information for tank 241-U-112 including surveillance information, records pertaining to waste transfers and tank operations, and expected tank contents derived from a process knowledge model. Appendix B summarizes recent sampling events (see Table 1-1), sample data obtained before 1989, and sampling results. Appendix C reports the statistical analysis and numerical manipulation of data used in issue resolution. Appendix D contains the evaluation to establish the best basis for the inventory estimate and the statistical analysis performed for this evaluation. Appendix E is a bibliography that resulted from an in-depth literature search of all known information sources applicable to tank 241-U-112 and its respective waste types. The reports listed in Appendix E are available in the Tank Characterization and Safety Resource Center.

Table 1-1. Summary of Recent Sampling.

Sample/Date <sup>t</sup>	Phase	Location	Segmentation	% Recovery
Vapor samples <sup>2</sup> and Combustible Gas Test (7/09/96)	Gas	Tank headspace, Riser 11, 6 m (20 ft) below top of riser		n/a
Push core <sup>3</sup> (9/12/97)	Solid	Riser 3	One segment (upper and lower half)	65 percent, 28 cm (11 in.) solids
Push core <sup>3</sup> (9/19/97)	Solid	Riser 6	One segment (upper and lower half)	69 percent, 20 cm (7.9 in.) solids

Note:

n/a = not applicable

#### 1.2 TANK BACKGROUND

Tank 241-U-112 was filled with first-cycle decontamination waste from the bismuth phosphate processes from the fourth quarter of 1947 until the second quarter of 1948. In 1952 waste was transferred to tank 241-TX-118. Tank 241-U-112 received REDOX high-level waste in 1954 and water in 1956. Waste was again transferred in 1970. The tank was removed from service in 1975 and labeled an assumed leaker 32,200 L (8,500 gal) in 1980. The tank was administratively interim stabilized in September 1979 and intrusion prevention was completed in December 1982. A salt well pump was installed in 1974 and pumping was completed in 1978. The tank level was adjusted in June 1976, April 1982, and February 1984 (Agnew 1997b).

Table 1-2 summarizes the description of tank 241-U-112. The tank has an operating capacity of 2,010 kL (530 kgal), and presently contains an estimated 170 kL (45 kgal) of noncomplexed waste, based on tank surface level measurements. The tank is not on the Watch List (Public Law 101-510).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Dates are in the mm/dd/yy format.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Evans et al. (1997)

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